

Society News and Chat of the Week



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BARONESS ELIZABETH ROSEN,

Daughter of the Russian Ambassador and Baroness Rosen, One of the Youngest and Sprightliest Recent Additions to the Diplomatic Corps.

THE gathering of the social clans was in evidence during the week, and the erstwhile forsaken streets put on a livelier air. The theaters were popular meeting places. Indeed, there was such an array of well-known men and handsomely dressed women to welcome the President, and, incidentally, Fritz Scheff in "Mlle. Modiste," at the Columbia, Monday night, that one might well have imagined himself looking almost two months ahead or plunged into mid-winter brilliancy.

People in Washington seemed to realize anew what a nice, sensible, wholesome, manly President we have, and what a truly sweet American woman his wife is, for they cheered him over and over. All during the performance there was a quite audible undercurrent of praise given the couple.

Mrs. Roosevelt refused to burden herself with such a thing as a theater hat, and wore her hair dressed in a slight pompadour with a soft coil on top of her head, just as she has done ever since coming to the White House. Her gown was of a pale gray color, with much sheer white about it as a relief, and some touches of black by way of contrast.

There is always something about Mrs. Oliver Wendell Holmes which makes one think of Priscilla, and Governor Winthrop's wife and women of that time. She is strong, and sensible, and womanly looking, and as she sat near Mrs. Roosevelt in the box at the theater that night, looked almost small, which, indeed, she is not. Mrs. Holmes always wears a handsome black gown with rare lace at the throat and wrists of the bodice. She, too, abjures curls, and wears her hair severely plain.

Until the return of the President from the South, and the general settling down to housekeeping of the Cabinet family, little of a really formal nature is to be expected; and, in fact, there will be very little done here but marrying—until the opening of the official season in January.

The interim will be occupied with more or less official calling, the early return of the Cabinet family and diplomats giving them a chance to exchange courtesies.

With the Italian Ambassador and Baroness Mayor des Planches in Europe, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador and Baroness Hengelmüller will rank all other diplomats; and a fine leader the august body will have in the sprightly baroness. She likes form and ceremony in its proper place, and is not one bit lazy in her social duties. She has nice gowns, a nice baby girl, and an indulgent husband, with one of the most attractive embassy homes at the Capital to help her. She will give Washington society their first chance to greet her in many months—deferring this pleasure until the first of November or even later.

Speaking of diplomats, they have delightfully independent ways sometimes. Even the first frosts of October could not frighten Mr. Havenith, first secretary of the Belgian legation, into laying aside his straw sailor hat, while Senor Don Crisoforo Canseco does not hesitate to introduce a bottle green walking suit as the latest fad from Mexico.

The two Baroness Rosen, wife and daughter, of the Russian ambassador, are back in town again after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. John R. McLean at the McLeans' beautiful country place, "Friendship." It is probable that they will immediately decide upon a new home for the Russian embassy.

Baron and Baroness Moncheur will arrive not later than tomorrow, bringing with them their baby daughter, who enjoyed, during the last summer, her first visit to Europe.

The debutante list for the coming winter will be shortened by at least one administration girl, for it is now definitely decided that the Misses Shaw will sail for Europe about November 1, and will spend the winter in Paris. Both Miss Shaw and Miss Erma Shaw will devote themselves to study.

It constantly grows less probable that Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture, will return to Washington this winter. She is devoting herself to study, and is not at all ready to leave off these serious matters for the strain of official society.

Weddings and weddings will fill the program for Wednesday, with more left over for next week. There will be Miss Helen Bell's marriage to Julian Ripley, of New York, which is on for Wednesday, and for which a great deal of delightful entertaining is being done; the quieter one of Miss Madeline Whiteside to Lieut. Archibald Miller, at St. Margaret's Church at 4 o'clock; and another noon wedding, when Miss Edith Elizabeth Brooke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brooke, will be married at St. Mark's Church to Cyrus Tidball Bright. November 4 is the time set for the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Underwood Cox and Stuart Wells Jackson, the ceremony to be celebrated at St. Paul's, at 12 o'clock.

November 1 is selected for the wedding day of Miss Nellie Galt Elliott and William Madison Mason, their wedding party already being arranged for, and one of the largest of the season. The marriage will take place at St. Margaret's P. E. Church, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

At noon, at St. Thomas Church, on the same day will be assembled a notable company of people to witness the ceremony uniting Miss Anita Evans, daughter of the ex-Consul General to London and Mrs. H. Clay Evans, and Lieut. David Foote Sellers.

The Duchess of Marlborough sailed yesterday after spending a month in America. Her visit was for the purpose of seeing her mother, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, whose mourning for the death of her sister prevented her giving any large entertainment for her daughter. Indeed, the only functions of any importance at which the duchess has been present, has been the big dinner and musicale given for her by Mrs. Clarence Mackay, at Harbor Hill, Roslyn, and the house party of her aunt, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, at Lenox, for her on Sunday last.

Her mother's mourning was not the only marring feature of her sojourn in America. Part of the time she was in poor health, underwent an operation at the hands of Dr. Holbrook Curtis, with the object of relieving her deafness, and was confined for several days afterward to a private hospital in town.

An incident of her stay was her call with Mr. and Mrs. Mackay upon the President and Mrs. Roosevelt at Oyster Bay.

The duchess will reach England just two or three days before the departure of her father, William K. Vanderbilt, and of Mrs. Vanderbilt, for this country.

Personal Gossip

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., has returned to the White House from Harvard College, where he is a student, for a short visit with the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. He is accompanied by a friend. They will return to Boston the first of next week.

Dr. Leo Vogel, the Swiss Minister, is now en route for America and is expected in Washington immediately upon his arrival. A. de Pury, secretary of the legation, and in the absence of the minister charge d'affaires, will arrive in Washington from Lenox Tuesday.

Major A. V. de Pederneras, military attaché of the Brazilian embassy, and Mme. de Pederneras are expected in Washington not later than Monday. They will occupy the apartment which they have leased for the season at the Connecticut.

Mrs. Joseph Benson Foraker, wife of the Ohio Senator, has arrived in Washington, and is at her Sixteenth street home. She will be joined early next week by Miss Foraker, who has been visiting friends in New York and Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harlan, son and daughter-in-law of Associate Justice and Mrs. Harlan, who have been their guests for a week past, left Washington for their home yesterday afternoon.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Horace Taylor entertained Surgeon General Wyman, Miss Burbage, and others at dinner, Friday evening, and later took their guests to the Columbia Theater.

Major General Weston, who has just been transferred from the position of Commissary General of Subsistence to

the command of the Northern military division, U. S. A., will leave Washington for his new post of duty November 1. His family will remain here a little later, but will join him in St. Louis, where he will have headquarters early in the season.

Mr. and Mrs. James Le Boutillier, of Washington, D. C., are expecting their son-in-law and daughter Gen. J. J. O'Connell, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. O'Connell, with their daughter, to live in Washington this winter. On their way from California they are being entertained in different cities. General and Mrs. O'Connell have lately made a voyage to the Society Islands for the benefit of Mrs. O'Connell's health.

Brig. Gen. A. J. Perry, U. S. A., retired, and Mrs. Perry have returned to their home in I street in this city.

Gen. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, U. S. A., are at the Ebbitt House for a few days.

Mrs. Frederick K. Barbour, of New York, formerly Miss Helen Cooke, of Washington, is here on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. James F. Barbour. Mrs. M. K. Broome, formerly Mrs. George Cochran Broome, is also a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Barbour.

Miss Lillie Howard, of Washington, is visiting Mrs. Russell, wife of Capt. J. H. Russell, at the Marine Barracks, Annapolis, Md.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Elizabeth Knowlton Dodge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison H. Dodge, of Washington, to Ensign Hugh McLean Walker, U. S. N.

Joseph Tarbell Dyer announces the engagement of his daughter, Florence Edith, to Albert Edgar Berry. The marriage will take place Tuesday, November 7, at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Fifteenth and V streets northwest.

Col. and Mrs. Charles Broomwell have returned to their home in New Hampshire avenue in this city after a visit of ten days at Elkins, Va. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee.

Mrs. William Gilliss, of New York, and her mother, Mrs. Carter, of Virginia, are visiting Mrs. James Gilliss at her home on Columbia Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Johnston are at the Connecticut for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, after search-

ing in vain for a house in Washington and failing to find one to suit them, will build.

Mrs. John W. Weeks, of Boston, has taken an apartment at Stoneleigh Court for the season.

Mrs. Azby Cheateau, well known in St. Louis society, has taken an apartment in the Farragut. She intends to remain in Washington during the season.

Mrs. Thomas Campbell Cox has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Underwood Cox, to Stuart Wells Jackson, for Saturday, November 4, at high noon, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Paymaster and Mrs. J. D. Robnett, the former on duty in the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, have taken apartments in the Savoy, Mt. Pleasant, for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Chase have taken an apartment at the Connecticut.

A song recital will be given at the Ninth Street Christian Church Friday evening, October 20, by Mrs. Richard W. Burkhardt, assisted by Dr. J. W. Bischoff, her instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Rice will be at home to their friends, in honor of their son's bar-mitzvah, Sunday evening, October 15, from 7 to 10 o'clock, at 713 G street southwest.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Holland, of Capitol Hill, have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood, of Paterson, N. J. Miss Belle Monday, of Knoxville, Tenn., is the guest of her cousin, Miss Lillian Rose, of Ninth street.

Assistant Naval Constructor Richard H. M. Robinson, U. S. N., and family have taken a two years' lease of the Rhees mansion, on Nineteenth street. Prof. William Y. Rhees, Mrs. Rhees, and Miss Flora Rhees are at present at the Hotel Stratford, this city, after a summer at East Gloucester, Mass., and Maplewood, N. H.

Gen. Charles J. Allen, U. S. A., Mrs. Allen and Miss Allen are spending the month of October in Leesburg. They will return to the city early in November and occupy a house on P street, of which they have taken a lease.

Mrs. Henry C. Merriam and her mother, Mrs. Ray, of Fort Sheridan, Ill., are the guests of Captain and Mrs.



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MRS. JOHN R. McLEAN,

The Popular Mistress of "Friendship," the McLeans' Country Estate, Who Has Just Entertained for a Week's Visit the Two Baronesses Rosen, Wife and Daughter of the Russian Ambassador.



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CAPT. F. E. C. RYAN, The New Naval Attaché of the British Embassy.

Price, Major Kean, U. S. A.; Prof. Halstead, of Baltimore; Prof. Keary, of Baltimore, and Captain Takeshita. Wednesday he gave a small dinner to Dr. and Mrs. Stokes and Dr. and Mrs. Halstead.

MRS. F. E. C. RYAN, Whose Charming Personality Will at Once Win High Favor at America's Capital.

Weddings.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carter, 252 University place, Mt. Pleasant, Tuesday evening, their second daughter, Miss Mae Katherine Carter, was married to George Teller Barrows, of Pittsburgh. The Rev. Father Mackin, of St. Paul's Catholic Church, officiated.

The bride wore white satin and carried a large bouquet of white rosebuds. Her father gave her away.

Her mother wore gray silk. The bride's sister, Miss Irene Carter, was maid of honor. Miss Eva Barrows, niece of the groom, played the wedding music. The groom was attended by John F. Findley, of Pittsburgh, and Edward Blanchard, of this city.

The ceremony took place under a large floral bell, the parlor being decorated in white roses and evergreens, and the back parlor in pink.

Refreshments were served in the garden, which was lighted by Japanese lanterns.

After a reception the bride and bridegroom started on a trip. They will make their home at 403 Duquesne avenue, Allegheny, Pa., the bridegroom having business in Pittsburgh.

The marriage of Miss Helen M. Friend and Bertrand C. Moore was solemnized at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning at St. Paul's parish house, the Rev. James F. Mackin, rector of St. Paul's, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Matthew Keith, of Capitol Hill, have announced the approaching marriage of their youngest daughter, Alice Belle Keith, and Robbins Franklin Fowler, of Wilmington, N. C. The ceremony will be private, and will take place Wednesday evening, October 18, at the family residence, 25 Seventh street northeast.

The Rev. George G. Markham, who baptized the bride, will perform the marriage ceremony.

The wedding of Miss Virginia Chiswell to Harry Arthur Kite, at Trinity Church, Third and C streets, Wednesday, October 25, is to be a noon wedding. Harry W. Wordman will be best man. The ushers will be Wallace Chiswell, Henry Chiswell, and Edward Ransom. Miss Helen Chiswell will be maid of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Harvey Chiswell, Miss Myrtle Kite, and Miss Sigourney. Miss Chiswell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Chiswell.

Miss Mary E. Fitzgerald and Harry S. Graham were married at St. Aloysius Church by the Rev. Father McDonnell, Thursday, October 5. They are at home at 26 V street northwest.

A wedding in which a number of people of this city were interested was that of Irving E. Griggs, of this city, to Miss Alta L. Smith, of Frederick, Md., at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, at the

home of the bride's mother, Mrs. M. E. Smith. The Rev. William L. Devries, of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, officiated, only a few relatives and friends being present. The bride wore white chiffon cloth trimmed with lace and carried a bouquet of bride roses. An informal reception at the home of the bride's mother followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Griggs live at 1115 Lytlecker avenue northwest.

Entertainments.

Dolly Madison Chapter, D. A. R., held its October meeting last Tuesday at the residence of the recording secretary, Mrs. Edward P. Mertz, 331 Newark street. Mrs. Job Barnard, regent, presided. After business and plans for the coming season were discussed, Mrs. Mertz entertained with refreshments.

Miss Edna Noyes, of Capitol Hill, was given a surprise party by some of her friends Wednesday evening, October 12. Those present were Miss Bessie Wallace, Miss Isabel Noyes, Miss Ida Bowler and Miss Gertrude Eubank, of Baltimore; Miss Dorothy Brewer, A. R. McFadden, U. S. N.; Midshipman Paul Fortner, U. S. N.; Milton Lewis, and Cleveland Fottman.

Midshipman Fortner related some interesting stories of naval life and Mr. Fottman sang.

The Columbia Heights Art Club met Thursday, October 12, at the residence of Mrs. Calvin Neilson, with Mrs. Wolhaupter as chairman. The history study was continued by a talk on early English literature by Miss Bennett. Mrs. Emerson gave an essay on swords, daggers and cut-throats, and Mrs. Neilson sang.

Monday evening, October 16, the Ladies' Club of the Washington Saengerbund will give their first dance of the season, at the Saengerbund Hall.

The Capitol Hill Literary Society held its initial meeting for the year at the residence of the president, Mrs. W. T. Betts, 406 H street northeast, Monday evening. Year book was received and commended. John Bryson gave the paper, "The History of the Society." George N. Brown, discussed the same subject. Miss Estelle Gulick sang, and Mr. Muller played the zither. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Frear, 223 Eighth street northeast, Monday evening, October 23.

The meeting of the Pathfinder Dramatic Club, held last week in their hall, 304 B street southeast, was of more than usual interest. Announcement was made by the executive committee of several engagements, one for October 31. At the next meeting rehearsals will be held of two plays.